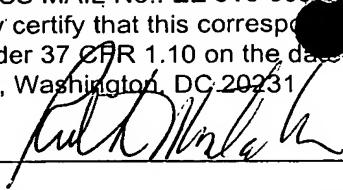


10/049802

EXPRESS MAIL No.: EL 915 668 250 US

JC13 Rec'd PCT/PTO 15 FEB 2002

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express mail under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Box PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231


 / Ruth Montalvo Date: 02/15/02

Customer No. 026418

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney's Docket No.: GK-ZEI-3153 / 500343.20154

U.S. Application No.:

International Application No.: PCT/EP01/07768

International Filing Date: JULY 06, 2001 06 JULY 2001

Priority Date Claimed: JULY 06, 2000 06 JULY 2000

Title of Invention: RECOGNITION OF THE MAXIMUM POSITION OF A REVOLVING DIAL OR SLIDE ON MICROSCOPES

Applicant(s) for (DO/EO/US): Gunter MOEHLER and Rolf-Gero RAU

Box PCT
 Commissioner of Patents
 Washington, D. C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

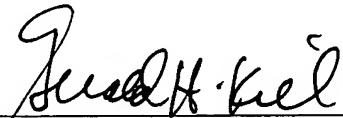
Applicant herewith submits together with the simultaneously filed National Phase application of PCT/EP01/07768, a copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) dated December 12, 2001 and German Examination Report dated July 25, 2001 citing the following references:

	Document Number	Date	Name and/or Country	English Translation/Equivalent
AA	5,337,177	08/09/1994	Toyoda, et al.	
AB	5,737,134	04/07/1998	Watanabe, et al.	
AL	36 30 632	09/24/1987	Germany	GB 2 187 905
AM	37 11 843	08/22/1988	Germany	US 4,961,636
AN	690 21 608	05/02/1996	Germany	EP 0 388 812
AO	198 39 777	03/11/1999	Germany	Abstract only
AP	3-213811	09/19/1991	Japan	Abstract only
AQ	4-020911	01/24/1992	Japan	Abstract only
AR	4-093908	03/26/1992	Japan	Abstract only
AS	8-029695	02/02/1996	Japan	Abstract only
AT	8-201701	08/09/1996	Japan	Abstract only
AU	11-023975	01/29/1999	Japan	Abstract only

Accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449 are copies of the documents (Abstracts only of documents AP thru AU) and three English Equivalents.

This submission is not an admission that the information disclosed in the documents is material to the patentability of the invention disclosed and/or claimed in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerald H. Kiel
Gerald H. Kiel - Reg. No. 25,116
Reed Smith LLP
375 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10152

GHK:ram
02/15/02
Tel. (212) 521-5400

Enclosures:

Search Report (PCT/ISA/210);
German Examination Report
PTO-1449;
5 documents including 3 English Equivalents
7 English Abstracts